

MINE RESCUE WORK

GOVERNMENT EXPERTS ARRIVE
IN EASTERN COAL FIELDS TO
TEACH METHODS.

Will Visit Various Plants and Demonstrate Rescue Work in Case of Accidents in the Mines.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

Barbourville, Ky.—A government mine rescue car, in charge of experts, arrived in the Southeastern Kentucky coal fields, and during the next few weeks will visit different mining plants. The force in charge will demonstrate the work of rescue in cases of explosions in mines or other mine accidents, and will otherwise teach the miners and mine owners the essential features of minimizing loss of life and property from accidents. The car is now touring the mines in the Straight Creek field, Bell county. It will be taken to different mines in Bell, Harlan and Knox counties.

TO FIGHT INCREASE

Housewives' League of Lexington
Against Phone Merger and Increase of Light Rates.

Lexington, Ky.—The Housewives' League, at its meeting adopted resolutions protesting against the higher telephone rates which had resulted from the merger of the Fayette Home Telephone and the Cumberland Telephone Companies in this city and county, and reiterated the opposition of the league to the city granting a new charter to the Kentucky Utilities Company, permitting 15 cents per kilowatt to be charged for electric light. It was announced that the league now has 225 members. Committees were appointed to look into the sanitary condition of the milk supply, the retail prices of milk, the sanitary condition of the city market, the meat supply, grocery stores and a committee on poultry and eggs.

NEW ROAD IN ROCKCASTLE.

Frankfort, Ky.—Owners of coal land in Rockcastle and Jackson counties are projecting a railroad 30 miles long between Livingston and McKee to open their property and connect with the L. & N. at Livingston. Articles of incorporation for the road were filed in the office of Secretary of State Crocett for the road, to be known as the Rockcastle Railroad Co. Its capital stock is \$10,000 and the incorporators are: N. W. Bond, of Oakland, Md.; C. C. Williams, A. B. Furnish and J. W. Brown, of Mt. Vernon, and H. W. Bowman, of Livingston.

KENTUCKY BOY IS HONORED.

Danville, Ky.—Hartwell Linney, son of Postmaster E. B. Linney, of Danville, was unanimously chosen Speaker of the lower house of the General Assembly of Arizona, at Phoenix. He was elected to the Legislature from Prescott on the Democratic ticket. Mr. Linney, after graduating from Central University and the Danville College of Law, located in Harrodsburg, where he taught in the Classical Academy for two years after which he went to Prescott, Ariz., where he has been for five years practicing law.

LARGEST ORDER FOR CARS.

Louisville, Ky.—Announcement was made by the Louisville & Nashville Co. of the placing of a contract for the purchase of about 3,000 new coal and oil cars for service on the L. & N., costing about \$3,600,000. The officials of the road announced that the additional rolling stock has been ordered to help the development of the Eastern Kentucky coal fields. The order is said to have been the largest placed by any American railroad in years.

ORDERS SALE OF PRIVILEGE.

Paris, Ky.—Residents of Paris are now practically assured of natural gas from the fact that the city council passed upon a franchise presented by the Central Kentucky Natural Gas Co. and ordered it sold. The Natural Gas Co. will perhaps be the only bidders for the franchise, which provides that work of laying the pipe lines be begun in four months and completed within six months.

ROAD FUNDS ARE APPORTIONED.

Elizabethtown, Ky.—The Hardin county Fiscal Court apportioned the road funds distributing \$2,200 to each of the six magisterial districts of the county for repairing and grading, and \$5,000 for macadam roads, allowing \$300 a mile for gravel roads and \$400 a mile for rock roads, whenever any section of the county makes application for metal roads.

SKINNER GETS \$7,500 VERDICT.

Georgetown, Ky.—A compromise judgment of \$7,500 was given in the Scott Circuit Court in the case of Skinner vs. the Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific railway. At a previous trial judgment was given the plaintiff for \$15,000 damages, he having had a foot crushed and a leg rendered useless while alighting from defendant's train about a year ago on his way here from Cincinnati. The former judgment was set aside, the amount being considered excessive.

BEN JOHNSON



Kentucky congressman who sprung a sensation in Washington by introducing a bill to penalize hotel keepers who raise their rates on the visitors to the inaugural on March 4th.

TO SAVE COLLEGE BOY

Daughters of the Confederacy Will Ask Governor to Pardon Student Who is Sick.

Lexington, Ky.—At the monthly meeting of the Lexington United Daughters of the Confederacy Mrs. James H. Mulligan made an eloquent plea in behalf of Thomas Butler, the State University student sentenced to one to six years in the penitentiary for setting fire to the public building, who has been pronounced a tuberculosis patient by his physician. Mrs. Mulligan said that young Butler had lived in the home of a woman whom she was well acquainted with and that during his three years there had been honest, paying his board with money earned by delivering the newspapers, and that when he needed clothes very badly and really could not pay board and buy the necessary clothes he worked for his board by serving the table and was allowed to buy his clothes. Mrs. Mulligan made a motion that a committee be sent to Gov. McCreary to petition him to grant pardon or parole to Butler. The motion was seconded and the committee was appointed, as follows: Mrs. J. H. Mulligan, the president, Mrs. O. L. Bradley, and Mrs. M. E. Clark.

RATE DISCRIMINATION

Shelbyville Business Men Appoint Committee to Take Up Grievances With Interurban Company.

Shelbyville, Ky.—The Shelby County Business Men's Association has appointed a committee to take up the question of alleged rate discrimination on the part of the Louisville & Interurban Railroad Co. from points on the road to this city, and also demand that the C. & O. and the L. & N. railroads return to the former system by which passengers at Bagdad, Christiansburg and intermediate points may be able to come to this city in the morning and return home in the afternoon. The committee may present these matters to the State Railroad Commissioners, but before doing so will confer with the officials of the different railroads to see if they cannot come to some satisfactory terms. The committee is composed as follows: George Chowning, president, and Eugene Cowles, secretary, of the association; County Clerk Luther Black and L. G. Smith.

WILL HOLD GOOD ROADS BANQUET.

Danville, Ky.—The Danville Commercial Club has arranged for a banquet on the last Friday in March. The purpose of the banquet is to formulate plans for a united effort in securing a \$400,000 appropriation from the National Government to be utilized in modernizing the old Wilderness road from this point to Cumberland Gap, Middlesboro, Stanford, Crab Orchard, Mt. Vernon, Pineville and Corbin, all of which are located on the route, are uniting in the great movement.

FIRST BID FOR BONDS.

Shelbyville, Ky.—The first bid on the \$75,000 issue of bonds for the new courthouse was received by Commissioner Charles Connell from Mengel & Co., of Louisville. The bids are sealed and will be opened on Saturday, March 1, when the entire bond issue will be sold to the highest and best bidder.

DIES WHILE RUNNING TO FIRE.

Williamsburg, Ky.—The home of Wylie Davis, near Teague, this county, was burned with all its contents. Mr. and Mrs. Davis were away from home. Mr. Davis' mother, Mrs. Bodkins, ran to the building when she saw the fire and fell dead as she reached it.

LICKING SURVEY IS PROPOSED.

Owingsville, Ky.—The people of this county are very much interested to learn that an item in the Rivers and Harbors Bill provides for an examination and survey of Licking River at Farmers, this county, with the view of closing a cut-off a short distance above the town, and thus diverting the course of the river at that point. This cut-off endangers several hundred acres of excellent farming land, and each year overflows several times, greatly damaging the crops.

HELD WITHOUT BAIL

Man Charged With Murder of Hon. Harry Bailey Has Preliminary Hearing.

Cynthiana, Ky.—The examining trial of Mat Arnold, charged with the murder of Hon. Harry Bailey, was held before County Judge T. E. King and Arnold was held without bail awaiting the action of the grand jury at the February term of the Harrison Circuit Court, which will begin February 24. Five witnesses were introduced by the Commonwealth. Hon. Edwin P. Morrow, United States District Attorney, counsel for the defendant, after a brief consultation with his client and his witnesses, decided not to introduce any evidence for the defense.

A good deal of interest was manifested by the public during the trial, the courtroom being crowded through the proceedings. The Commonwealth was represented by Hon. M. C. Swinford, Mayor of Cynthiana, and Hon. J. C. Dedman, Commonwealth's Attorney.

NEW COURTHOUSE.

Perry County Dedicates Forty Thousand Dollar Temple of Justice.

Hazard, Ky.—Perry county's new \$40,000 courthouse was dedicated with due ceremonies held in the building itself. A large crowd of people from over the county were in attendance.

B. F. Smith, of Washington, D. C., who erected the building, made a brief speech, at the conclusion of which he formally presented the structure to the county. County Judge J. G. Campbell gave an address in which he reviewed the history of Perry county from the herds of the early days to the present time. He accepted the building on behalf of the people. County Attorney C. W. Napier gave a brief history of the courthouse of the past. Short addresses were made by a number of local attorneys.

The old courthouse was destroyed by fire in June, 1911. One year later the preliminary work of rebuilding was started. August 14, 1912, the cornerstone was laid with appropriate ceremonies.

The building is fireproof structure, and of the finest quality of pressed brick. The furniture is of metal and wood. The various offices are equipped with metal furniture and fireproof vaults. The main floor of the courtroom is equipped with 300 opera chairs, while the gallery has chairs and benches. The seating capacity is 750.

STATE COW IS DEAD.

Danville, Ky.—The fine Holstein-Friesian cow purchased in New York last fall by the state of Kentucky for the Kentucky School for the Deaf, located here, died suddenly of an unknown disease. The cow had proved to be the finest milker ever owned by the institution, giving six gallons of rich milk daily.

FAIR GROUNDS SOLD BY ELKS.

Georgetown, Ky.—The Georgetown Elks' lodge sold the fair grounds, composed of ten and a half acres, to Frank Thomson, editor of the Georgetown News, and Leonard Hambrick, a merchant, for \$4,000. The Scott county fairs for the past six years have been conducted under the auspices of the Elks.

RUN OVER BY WAGON.

Maysville, Ky.—Oscar Ray, 35, while en route to his home at Mt. Olivet was thrown from the seat of a heavily loaded wagon to the ground, the wheels passing over him. He was taken to the home of a nearby resident, where he died of his injuries.

BANK BUILDING IS COMPLETED.

Whitesburg, Ky.—A large office and bank building, one of the handsomest and costliest structures in Jenkins, has just been completed at a cost of \$40,000. It will be the home of the Consolidated Coal Co. and the First National bank of Jenkins.

BARYTES MINED IN LINCOLN.

Stanford, Ky.—A barytes mine has been uncovered on the farm of Harry Frye, of the Hedgeville section of this county. Twenty carloads of the mineral have been taken from the mine and shipped to the refining works at Nicholasville.

RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE STARTED

Whitesburg, Ky.—Railway mail service has been instituted over the Sandy Valley & Elkhorn railroad into Jenkins. A 20-mile overland route from Jenkins to Hellier has been discontinued.

WILL VOTE ON BOND ISSUE.

Middlesboro, Ky.—The \$500,000 good road bond issue to be voted on in Bell county on March 4 is attracting considerable attention. A meeting was held at Pineville, where the bond issue was endorsed, but there was some opposition to it. T. J. Asher, the largest taxpayer in the county, is in favor of issuing \$100,000 in bonds to build a road from Middlesboro to the Knox county line, providing Knox county and the other counties will extend the boulevard on to the Bluegrass.

ESCORT FOR EACH

MARSHALL'S CAVALRY TROOP TO EQUAL WILSON'S IN PARADE OF INAUGURAL DAY.

BLACK HORSE FROM INDIANA

Elimination of the Grand Ball Really a Blessing—Plans Are Announced for the Elaborate Illumination of the Capital City.

By GEORGE CLINTON.

Washington.—For the first time in the history of the ceremonies of inaugurating the chief executive of the United States, a vice-president-elect is to be escorted to the capitol by a cavalry troop forming a guard of honor in size and appearance the equal of that which acts as a mounted escort to the president-elect. Thomas Riley Marshall, the next vice-president of this country, will be the precedent smasher, his escort consisting of a black horse squadron from Indiana.

Some of the members of the committee on inaugural ceremonies did not take altogether kindly to the plans of Mr. Marshall's friends to make second place equal to first place, but Woodrow Wilson, hearing of the opposition, said his partner on the ticket and in office should be allowed anything and everything in honors that his friends saw fit, and so it was that the parade managers withdrew all objections to the appearance of the Hoosier black horse squadron which will do honor to Marshall of Indiana.

The vice-president-elect ordinarily rides from the White House to the capitol with the outgoing vice-president or the president pro tem of the senate, as the case may be, in a carriage following the one occupied by the president-elect, but with sufficient distance and enough people in between the two to make it known that the escort of honor is for the chief and not for the subordinate. This year, however, there will be two escorts of honor and a division of the acclaim of the people along the route. The mounted chargers which will precede, flank and take up the rear of Mr. Marshall's carriage are the property of a private military school in the Hoosier state and they will be bedridden by husky cadets trained, it is said, along cavalry lines like unto those followed at West Point.

Omission of Ball a Blessing.

The members of the committee of arrangements for the Wilson and Marshall doings seem to have reconciled themselves to the loss of the inaugural ball and to the turning down of the "grand public reception" plan. They are busy now letting the country know that the elimination of the inaugural ball is very much of a blessing. This might appear to be simply a matter of putting a good face on a disappointment, but while the loss of the ball may be a disappointment to the members of the committee personally, they are telling the truth when they say it is a blessing.

Perry Belmont, who is a member of the inaugural committee, has said: "The figures which I have compiled after digging out the statistics since Harrison's inauguration in 1889 convince me that an inaugural ball is a vastly over-rated function. About 12,000 persons attended the ball when Harrison was inaugurated, and since that time the attendance has decreased steadily. At the Taft affair a little more than 8,000 people went to the ball and of these only 500 bought supper tickets. The decrease in attendance at the balls has gone hand in hand with an increase in the size of the crowds which have come to Washington."

Parade a Cavalry Affair.

The evident intention is to make the Wilson inaugural parade, to as great an extent as possible, a "cavalry affair." The Essex troops of New Jersey and the black squadron from Indiana will have places of honor, but they twindle away to the proportions of a cavalry corporal's guard when compared to the overflowing ranks of the other mounted organizations which will follow the leader from the White House to capitol.

There are to be 1,000 mounted fox hunters in the parade drawn from the various hunt clubs of the country, all of which the proponents of Democratic simplicity tell us in the typewriting of the press agents are "exclusive organizations." Aristocracy, therefore, on horseback and wearing "red coats and shining silk hats" will precede the boys of Tammany if it can, and follow them if it must.

The governors' "colonels," or at any rate the Democratic governors' colonels, are to have a chance to ride. The governors are coming and with them their staffs. The word is that several of the states' chief magistrates have ordered their subordinates to appear in "brand new uniforms." As for the governors, they will ride frock-coated and silk-hatted.

The inaugural committee promises that during the four days which cover the period of the "visitation of strangers" Washington will be the best lighted city in the world. The semi-southern sun will do its duty by day, but at night between dusk and midnight, which is supposed to be Washington's turning in time, 10,000 multi-colored incandescent lamps strung in festoons between the capitol and the treasury will illuminate the broad thoroughfare of Pennsylvania avenue. The capitol is to be illuminated. One search light will throw its rays upon the dome bringing out the Goddess of Liberty into proper relief while another will make the

Washington monument "float against the evening sky."

Cabinet of Progressives.

The country, probably will not have to wait much longer to learn the names of the men chosen for service in the cabinet of Woodrow Wilson. The politicians and the correspondents have made many cabinets for Mr. Wilson, and it is entirely probable that some of them have made good guesses, but from the word which comes from Trenton it is certain that if the right cabinet has been named by anybody it has been sheer guess work, for the president-elect has kept his own counsel in the matter and, moreover, has said some things in a degree denunciatory of those who would try to do his naming work for him.

Members of congress who have been to Trenton in an endeavor to find out definitely what the Democratic chieftain intends to do in the way of cabinet making apparently learned only one thing, and of course it is possible that they did not learn this one thing accurately. The chances are, however, that they did, and interviews with the returned ones show that they all are convinced of this: "Every man in the cabinet will be a progressive Democrat."

Members of the coming dominant party who have thought it worth while for advice-receiving purposes to go to New Jersey have come back seemingly convinced that no conservative Democrat will sit at the next president's table of council. This bit of news may not be to the liking of a good many Democrats of the United States, but it must be set down here in the way of news as being the apparent belief of both conservative and progressive Democrats who have talked to Mr. Wilson about the construction of his cabinet. No names are given, but men who will talk about it say that all the names of the ultra-conservatives of the party may be discarded when tables are being made of the possible cabinet selections.

Conservatives Resent This.

There is something of a show of resentment among the conservative Democrats in Washington because of the course which they seem to think Mr. Wilson is to follow. The conservatives point even to Roosevelt, whom they do not like at all, as an example of what a progressive can do to balance things. They are urging that Mr. Roosevelt, Progressive, invited some conservatives into his cabinet in order that he might get the benefit of both sides of every discussion.

There is no weeping evident in Washington in the ranks of the progressive Democrats or in those of the conservative and progressive Republicans because of the apparent determination of Mr. Wilson to surround himself with men who will argue that the administration make things move. The reason for the dearth of tears among the progressive Democrats is apparent. The progressive Republicans like to see things moving even though motive power is supplied by a Democratic engine. The conservative Republicans are glad that the president-elect is going to "get a move on" because they think the machinery will go to smash before the year's journey is up. So it is that everybody apparently is happy except the conservative Democrats.

Now in trying to name a cabinet for Mr. Wilson in the face of his silence on the subject a start can be made by eliminating the conservative chieftains of the Democratic party, that is, those of them who are charged by their opponents with attempts in the past to block downward tariff revision and to check legislation of the kind attempted by their progressive colleagues.

Field Rather Limited.

There are eighteen or twenty of the progressive Democratic chieftains who, as members of congress view it, are of the cabinet type. It would be curious, therefore, if among a little more than a score of names that have been mentioned as of men certain to sit in the cabinet room the right names should not have been hit upon. There will be a great chance for the "I told you so's" on the day that Mr. Wilson names his advisers.

It must not be understood because Mr. Wilson apparently intends to name none but progressives for cabinet office that all of them will be men of the ultra-progressive type. It seems to be generally conceded that Obadiah Gardner of Maine will be made secretary of agriculture. He is a progressive without being in any sense a radical and it is probable that two or three men of this type may be given precedence, but none of them probably will be markedly conservative enough to give the conservative leaders like Martin of Virginia and Simmons of North Carolina an opportunity to say "happily he has recognized us."

There is no reason today to change the word of two months ago that the influences which it seems will be paramount with Mr. Wilson in the matter of cabinet selection are those of the school of Bryan of Nebraska and Gore of Oklahoma.

Her Turn.

All day, two-year-old Priscilla had been trying to get one of the other parents to take an active part in her play, says Harper's Magazine, only to be told again and again, "Father's busy," or "Mother's busy."

Accordingly, she resigned herself to solitary occupation with her Noah's ark, and when, toward five o'clock, her mother manifested an interest in the baby by inviting her upstairs to bed, Priscilla shook her head and declared, with a mischievous twinkle, "Stairs busy, nightgown busy."

J. P. MORGAN IS ILL

AMERICAN FINANCIER STRICKEN AT CAIRO, EGYPT—REPORTS DIFFER ON CONDITION.

IS ON HIS WAY TO NAPLES

Left Home in Good Health, January 7, Reached Italy Sixteen Days Later, and Expected to Remain Abroad Until August.

London, England, Feb. 18.—J. Pierpont Morgan has been taken suddenly and seriously ill at Cairo, Egypt, according to a dispatch from Rome to the Exchange Telegraph company.

The dispatch adds that Mr. Morgan is being brought back to Naples on board the steamship Caronia and that he is accompanied by two physicians and two trained nurses.

The report about Mr. Morgan's ill health given out by the Exchange Telegraph company has not been confirmed, or even mentioned, through any other news source.

Tells Son of Indigestion.

New York, Feb. 18.—J. P. Morgan, Jr., received a cablegram from his father at Alexandria, Egypt, saying that he had so far recovered from an attack of acute indigestion he suffered recently that he had decided to return to Cairo and not go to Europe, as at first planned. An active member of J. P. Morgan & Co. affirmed that Mr. Morgan had an acute attack of indigestion Tuesday or Wednesday of last week and added that J. P. Morgan, Jr., had on Saturday received most reassuring advice from his father, indicating that the attack was practically over at that time.

It was said that Mr. Morgan's family and friends felt absolutely no concern regarding him and that in all probability by this time he had completely recovered.

J. P. Morgan & Co. also received a cablegram from Mr. Morgan. It was dated Cairo and said Mr. Morgan was in good spirits and probably would stay a fortnight.

Another report says Mr. Morgan is leaving Alexandria on the Caronia for



J. Pierpont Morgan.

Naples and is due in Naples Feb. 26. He expects then to take his usual journey up through Italy.

Sailed From New York Jan. 7. Mr. Morgan sailed from New York Jan. 7 on board the steamship Adriatic. His ship, soon after departing from the pier, went aground off Governor's Island and was refloated later without sustaining any damage. Mr. Morgan arrived in Naples Jan. 23 and visited the ruins of Pompeii. Jan. 24 he left Naples for Alexandria, Egypt, and arrived there Feb. 7 with the intention of visiting the fields of ancient relics being explored under the auspices of the Metropolitan Museum of New York.

Expected to Remain Till August.

It was said at the time of Mr. Morgan's departure by some of his intimate friends that he probably would not return to the United States until August. No anxiety was felt in regard to the financier's health when he left New York and no physician accompanied him on his voyage.

The Cunard liner Caronia should reach Flume, Austria, Feb. 20, and Naples Feb. 26. She is due to arrive in New York March 10.

Stocks Drop on Morgan News.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—Early telegraphic reports of the sudden illness of J. Pierpont Morgan caused a sharp break in stocks on the Chicago stock exchange at opening. United States Steel common opened at 62 and dropped to 61 1/4 within a few minutes, and then to 60, two points under Saturday's closing quotations.

In the first half hour it rallied and 61 1/4 was reached. Reading dropped to 153, while Union Pacific opened the day at 155 1/2 and dropped quickly to 155.

FOUR DIE IN BOILER BLAST

Explosion in Saw Mill at Wallisville, Tex., Kills and Scalds Victims—Building Wrecked.

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 18.—Four persons were killed instantly and five seriously injured when a saw mill boiler exploded at Wallisville, a lumber camp near here. The exploding boiler, which weighed three tons, was hurled through the air across Trunkly river. While the saw mill was almost wrecked and every one in that part of the building was scalded.